

"Jesus on the Mountain Peak"



LUTHER MEMORIAL CHURCH AND SCHOOL

(Grades K-8)

CLC - Church of the Lutheran Confession

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10:00 am Service Sunday School and Bible Class at 9:00 am

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TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY

FEBRUARY 17, 2010

Preparation for Worship: Read Psalm 77 front of hymnal p. 139

The Hymns: 135, 656, 404:1, 720, 54:1

Prayer: Lord Jesus Christ, at the height of Your Epiphany You revealed Your great power and glory to the disciples, eyewitnesses of Your transfiguration. Send now Your Holy Spirit to us through Your Word. Work in us repentance of sins and the assurance of Your forgiveness. Hear us for Your own sake, Amen.

Bells – Opening Prayer

First Hymn 135

THE INVOCATION

*We invoke ("call upon") the name of the one true God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
(Hymnal, page 5 – Congregation Stands)*

PASTOR In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
CONGR. (sing) Amen.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION OF SINS

We come before our Holy God recognizing that we are sinful and daily need His forgiveness.

PASTOR Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
Our help is in the name of the Lord.

CONGR. (sing) Who made heaven and earth.

PASTOR I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.
CONGR. (sing) And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.

PASTOR Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

ALL O most merciful God, who hast given Thine only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Thy Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of Thee and of Thy will and true obedience to Thy Word, to the end that by Thy grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PASTOR Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in His name He gives power to become the sons of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He who believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

CONGR. (sing) Amen. (congregation is seated)

THE INTROIT

Having received the Lord's forgiveness, we are glad to enter into His courts with praise and thanksgiving. This entrance is made in the Introit with the Lord's own Word, most often drawn from the Psalms.

P: The lightning lit up the world:

C: The earth trembled and shook.

P: How lovely is Your tabernacle, O Lord of hosts!

C: My soul longs, yes, even faints for the courts
of the Lord.

P: Blessed are those who dwell in Your house:

C: They will be praising You forever.

THE GLORIA PATRI

Latin for "Glory to the Father" (Hymnal, page 6)

CONGR. (sing) Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

THE KYRIE

Latin for "O Lord." We approach our Lord with a cry for help in all the needs of our earthly life. (Hymnal page 7 - sing)

**Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

"Glory to God in the highest" (Hymnal page 7 - sing)

Glory be to God on high: And on earth peace, good will toward men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory. O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord the only begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, That takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world. Receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE SALUTATION (Greeting)

PASTOR The Lord be with you.

CONGR. (sing) And with thy spirit.

THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY

The main thoughts for the day are "collected" together in this prayer.

PASTOR Let us pray.

CONGR. (sing) Amen.

THE BIBLE LESSONS

God speaks to us.

Old Testament Reading:

Deuteronomy 34 Then Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is across from Jericho. And the LORD showed him all the land of Gilead as far as Dan, 2 all Naphtali and the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Western Sea, 3 the South, and the plain of the Valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees, as far as Zoar. 4 Then the LORD said to him, "This is the land of which I swore to give Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, saying, 'I will give it to your descendants.' I have caused you to see it with your eyes, but you shall not cross over there." 5 So Moses the servant of the LORD died there in the land of Moab, according to the word of the LORD. 6 And He buried him in a valley in the

land of Moab, opposite Beth Peor; but no one knows his grave to this day. 7 Moses was one hundred and twenty years old when he died. His eyes were not dim nor his natural vigor diminished. 8 And the children of Israel wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days. So the days of weeping and mourning for Moses ended. 9 Now Joshua the son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, for Moses had laid his hands on him; so the children of Israel heeded him, and did as the LORD had commanded Moses. 10 But since then there has not arisen in Israel a prophet like Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face, 11 in all the signs and wonders which the LORD sent him to do in the land of Egypt, before Pharaoh, before all his servants, and in all his land, 12 and by all that mighty power and all the great terror which Moses performed in the sight of all Israel.

PASTOR Here ends the Old Testament Reading. We continue with the responsive reading of:

THE GRADUAL

The Gradual is a "Bridge of praise" that links the Old Testament with the New Testament.

P: You are fairer than the children of men:

C: Grace is poured into Your lips.

P: The Lord said to my Lord, Sit down at My right hand:

C: Until I make Your enemies Your footstool.

Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

P: Sing to the Lord, bless His name, and show forth His salvation from day to day:

C: Declare His glory among all people. Hallelujah!

CONGR. (sing) Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

PASTOR The New Testament Reading is from 1 Corinthians chapter 4, beginning there in the 3rd verse.

CONGR. (sing) Glory be to Thee, O Lord!

New Testament Reading:

2 Corinthians 4:3-6 But even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing, 4 whose minds the god of this age

has blinded, who do not believe, lest the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine on them. 5 For we do not preach ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord, and ourselves your bondservants for Jesus' sake. 6 For it is the God who commanded light to shine out of darkness, who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

PASTOR Here ends the New Testament Reading.

CONGR. (sing) Praise be to Thee, O Christ!

Congregation stands for:

THE APOSTLES' CREED

We boldly confess what we believe. (Hymnal, page 12)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; The Holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; The forgiveness of sins; The resurrection of the body; And the life everlasting. Amen.

Anthem by the Children and Congregation

719 "Jesus on the Mountain Peak"

Children sing stanzas 1-3

Congregation sings stanza 4

Hymn 656

THE SERMON

Luke 9:28-36 Now it came to pass, about eight days after these sayings, that He took Peter, John, and James and went up on the mountain to pray. 29 As He prayed, the appearance of His face was altered, and His robe became white and glistening. 30 And behold, two men talked with Him, who were Moses and Elijah, 31 who appeared in glory and spoke of His decease which He was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. 32 But Peter and those with him were heavy with sleep; and when they were fully awake, they saw His glory and the two men who stood with Him. 33 Then it happened, as they were parting from Him, that Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; and let us make three tabernacles: one for You, one for Moses, and one for Elijah"; not knowing what he said. 34 While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were fearful as they entered the cloud. 35 And a voice came out of the cloud, saying, "This is My beloved Son. Hear Him!" 36 When the voice had ceased, Jesus was found alone. But they kept quiet, and told no one in those days any of the things they had seen.

Theme: "A PREVIEW OF HEAVENLY GLORY"

- I. It comes with a price (28-31)
- II. It is spiritually discerned (32-33)
- III. It comes with God's approval (34-36)

THE OFFERTORY

*In this prayer we OFFER God our hearts, asking Him for that best of all gifts, the Holy Spirit.
(Hymnal, pages 12-13) (sing)*

***Create in me a clean heart, O God,
And renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy presence
And take not Thy Holy Spirit from me
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation
And uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.***

THE OFFERING OF THANKFUL HEARTS

In tangible evidence of our gratitude, we offer the Lord the gift of our money, remembering that He has first given to us that we might have to give to Him. While the ushers present our offerings at the Lord's Altar, we stand and sing the offering hymn 404:1

***Soul, what return has God, thy Savior, For all He gives thee day by day?
Oh, hast thou in thy gift a favor That can delight and please Him? – Say!
The best of off'rings He requires: Thy heart it is that He desires.***

THE GENERAL PRAYER

(Pastor)

THE LORD'S PRAYER

(All)

Congregation sings Hymn 720

Congregation stands for:

THE BENEDICTION

The blessing given by God for the blessing of His people (Numbers 6:24-26).

PASTOR The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

CONGR. (sing) Amen, Amen, Amen.

The Closing Hymn (standing) 54:1

*** *Silent Prayer* ***

Verbal Announcements - Ushers dismiss by row

Announcements

"If the LORD wills, we will do this or that." James 4:15

PASTOR NAUMANN RECEIVED A DIVINE CALL from the dual parish of St. John's Lutheran in Clarkston WA and Peace Lutheran in Orofino, ID. Divine calls are from God the Holy Spirit Who works through the congregation to send a called worker into His Kingdom work. Now the Pastor has two divine calls – the one from Luther Memorial Church and the one from St. John's and Peace. The main objective question is: "In which of the two places can the called servant best serve the LORD with the abilities the LORD has given him?" Your comments and prayers are requested that the Lord's will be done.

50th ANNIVERSARY CHOIR Director Dave Bernthal asks that If you are interested in singing for our 50th Anniversary in March, please join us in the choir room following church for a brief meeting.

THIS WEEK - ASH WEDNESDAY Our theme this year is "WHERE IN THE WORLD IS GOD" We are having a "Lenten Exchange" with Pastor Paul Krause of Faith Lutheran in Markesan. He will preach here three times and Pastor Naumann will preach three times at Faith Lutheran. Our morning service is at 10:00 am and evening service 7:00 pm. Be sure to catch the blessings that God intends for you and your family in these midweek meditations upon the suffering and death of our Savior. Please sign up for communion today.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

TUE: 6:30 pm Church Council Meeting
WED: 8:45-9:45 am Women's Bible Reading
10:30 am Ash Wednesday Communion Service
7:00 pm Ash Wednesday Communion Service
FRI: 7:00-8:00 pm Family Gym Night at Theisen
TV CHURCH – Today's Service replayed on Cable TV Channel 21 Tuesday at noon and Wednesday at 4:00 pm

SAVE THE DAY! Our 50th anniversary "Homecoming" service is planned for Sunday March 21st, 2010. A special morning service is planned, followed by dinner and a 50th anniversary program.

CHARTER MEMBER PHOTO The Rev. Paul Fleischer, editor of the the Lutheran Spokesman, has requested a group photo from our congregation for the April and May issues of the Spokesman. He would like a picture of all the charter members of Luther Memorial Church – all those who were here when we began in 1960. We will plan to take this photo on Easter Sunday, April 4, 2010.

CALLING ALL YOUNG ADULTS The LM Young Adults (high school age or older – 20, 30 etc) have planned an outing to Sunburst Ski area for Saturday February 27th. We begin at church at 2:00 pm. Skiing, snowboarding and tubing! Details are on the bulletin board. Please sign up!

SYNOD-WIDE APPEAL The model church has been authorized for contributions to help CLC Pastor Steven Karp with his cancer medical expenses. Let us continue our prayers to God that He would remove this infirmity from Pastor Karp, for as James says, "**The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much.**" **James 5:16**

THE 25TH ANNUAL GRADE SCHOOL BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT for CLC Youth will be held at Immanuel Lutheran College, Friday through Sunday, March 12-14, 2010. Information may be found online at www.clclutheran.net/tourney It is suggested that hotel reservations be made soon!

CHURCH CUSTODIAN NEEDED Dawn Powell is stepping down and we thank her for the faithful and excellent work she has done for the Lord here at Luther Memorial. Anyone interested in this part time position may contact our Chairman of Building and Grounds Wayne Wischnefski at his home phone.

PART TIME JOB OFFER Church member Mrs. Becky Jones is offering the chance to get part-time employment with the US Census Bureau. Details and test schedules are available in the hallway.

GIRLS DORM SUPERVISOR Immanuel Luther College is accepting applications for the "dorm mother" position which begins next August. Details are on the bulletin board.

BAND INVITATION The Seventh Annual Tourney Band will play at this year's CLC Grade school Basketball Tournament in Eau Claire, WI on Saturday, March 13. We will be practicing for an hour in the morning and performing that same day around noon. This group is open to CLC members in grades 5-8. Students do not have to play basketball to be a part of the band. In the past we've had between 30 and 40 players, playing 5-6 songs. It is a great experience playing in a group this large, and it's a super opportunity to meet others in the CLC that enjoy band! If you've never tried it, please consider doing so this year! Music can be found on the CLC Tournament website following the band link www.clclutheran.net/tourney/ Deadline to register is March 6. There is no fee, and student are asked to wear their school colors when they play.

CAMP KOYQUIN 2010 Who: CLC members and friends entering grades 5 - 12! What: A week of fun and fellowship! When: June 13th - 19th, 2010! Where: Camp JIM, Pillager, MN <http://www.campjim.org> Why: Relationship building, study God's Word, meet some mentors, be a mentor, fellowship, and fun! How: By bus, plane, or car! See the website below for more information. How Much: Camp tuition is \$150 per camper if registered by June 1st, 2010. \$175 if registered after June 1st, 2010. How Do I Register? Registration will open

March 12, 2010. Register online: www.koyquin.clclutheran.net/
Who's In Charge? Jessica Ohlmann - Registration Contact, Joelle Noeldner, Tom Naumann. For more details, check out the website: www.koyquin.clclutheran.net

TVBS 2010 The TVBS Committee has begun work planning for the 2010 summer season. After a very ambitious program last summer that saw TVBS teams travel to Georgia, Texas, California and Washington besides the regular closer trips to Minnesota and Wisconsin, the TVBS program finds itself in need of support of different kinds. If you are interested in helping in some way, please go to www.clctvbs.org to see how you might be able to assist in this valuable mission outreach effort. You can also contact the TVBS Committee via phone or email through contact information on the website. If you'd rather just call and talk, please do call Ross Roehl 715-864-1764. Thanks for keeping the TVBS program in your prayers. -- The TVBS Committee.

WOMEN'S INVITATION The Christian Women's Retreat, sponsored annually by our sister congregation, Immanuel Lutheran Church, Mankato, MN, is being held Friday through Sunday, April 23-25 at Days Inn Hotel & Conference Center in La Crosse, WI. All the women of Luther Memorial are encouraged to consider attending this spiritually uplifting event. More information and registration forms are available in the pink flyer by the registry table. The theme this year: "Good News For Tired Souls" based on Mark 6:31, "**Come with Me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest.**"

CLC NEWS >> The Rev. Dave Naumann, Luther Memorial Church, Fond du Lac, WI has the call to St. John's/Peace Lutheran, Clarkston, WA/Orofino, ID. >> The Rev. David Fuerstenau, Ketchikan AK, has returned the call to Morning Star Lutheran, Fairchild WI. >> Grace Lutheran, Sleepy Eye MN, and Faith Lutheran, New Ulm MN, have called the Rev. Eric Libby, Our Savior's Lutheran, Jamestown ND.

SERVICE TODAY Usher Team 3 Gordon Krause, Reuel Dins, John Herzberg, Tim Johannes, Steve Seibel. Organist: Rhoda E.

ASH WEDNESDAY - Available Ushers. Organist Rhoda E.

NEXT SUNDAY Usher Team 4 Wayne Wischneski, Alan Kottke, Ron Haensgen, Mark King, Joel Delarme. Organist: Adrienne F.

SPECIAL ENVELOPE AND DEFICIT CLARIFICATION: Left over from 2009 is a \$24000 deficit. There also remains \$8000 from the 2008 deficit which means combined we have a \$32000 debt from the last two years. We have all received a special envelope with a note attached from our Stewardship Committee to us get going on the deficit. Led by a faith that trusts in the incredible message of our impossible deficit of sin completely paid in full by our Savior, we keep on with our prayerful attention to the blessing and privilege of this opportunity to give to Jesus. He promises:

Luke 6:38 "Give, and it will be given to you: good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over will be put into your bosom. For with the same measure that you use, it will be measured back to you."

FOR THE LORD - FROM THANKFUL HEARTS Attendance - 152
(This is an unofficial summary. For the official summary, speak to the Financial Secretary)

Budgetary	weekly	for the fiscal year	
Received	\$3,847		\$21,075
Non-budgetary			
Maintenance & Improvement		\$247 balance	\$3,410
Debt Retirement Fund		\$100 balance	\$209
LM Building Fund		\$150 mortgage	\$23,220
50 th Anniversary Sign Fund		\$100 balance	\$3,890
<i>(\$20 given in memory of John Dauterman)</i>			
2009 Deficit Fund		\$635 (to date \$1,564; needed \$32,000)	
Missions <i>(CLC fiscal year is July 1 to June 30)</i>			
Budgetary	weekly	year to date	
Received	\$910	\$28,187	
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Non-budgetary			
Pastor Karp Fund		\$65	
ILC Building Fund		\$100	

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

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1 Peter 4:8

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Old Testament Reading for Transfiguration Sunday

Deuteronomy 34:1-12

Transfiguration account... In these verses we hear of how Moses died and was buried by God. Until Jesus Christ came – THE Prophet, there was not another prophet like him. The LORD knew him “face to face.” We read...

New Testament Reading

2 Corinthians 4:3-6

When we preach Jesus Christ as LORD, the light of the Gospel shines into the hearts of men and gives knowledge of the glory of God. It's a miracle every time, for the same powerful Savior God who called light into existence at creation has shone in our hearts through the Gospel. We read...